

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. FITZGERALD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate immediately proceed to executive session to consider the following nominations on today's Executive Calendar: Calendar Nos. 186, 187, and 188. I further ask unanimous consent that the nominations be confirmed en bloc, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and that the Senate then return to legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. COLEMAN). Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nominations considered and confirmed en bloc are as follows:

FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

Lowell Junkins, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation.

Glen Klippenstein, of Missouri, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation.

Julia Bartling, of South Dakota, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will now return to legislative session.

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—S. 1174

Mr. FITZGERALD. Mr. President, I understand that S. 1174 is at the desk, and I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the title of the bill for the first time.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1174) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to accelerate the increase in the refundability of the child tax credit, and for other purposes.

Mr. FITZGERALD. Mr. President, I now ask for its second reading and object to further proceedings on this matter.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection having been heard, the bill will receive its second reading on the next legislative day.

ANIMAL DRUG USER FEE ACT OF 2003

Mr. FITZGERALD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that action on S. 313 be vitiated and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration; that the committee amendments be withdrawn, and that the amendment that is at the desk be agreed to, and the bill, as amended, be read a third time and passed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The committee amendments were withdrawn.

The amendment (No. 846) was agreed to.

(The amendment is printed in today's RECORD under "Text of Amendments.")

The bill (S. 313), as amended, was read the third time and passed.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 2003

Mr. FITZGERALD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, June 4. I further ask that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then begin a period of morning business until the hour of 11 a.m., with the first 30 minutes under the control of Senator BROWNBACK or his designee; provided further that the remaining time be equally divided between the two leaders or their designees and that Senators be limited to 5 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Mr. REID. Mr. President, reserving the right to object.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Nevada.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I say through you to the acting majority leader, we are confident that the child care amendment offered by the Senator from Arkansas, through the Senator from New Mexico, will pass. We do not really care if it is done in the energy bill or in a separate, freestanding arrangement. Whatever the two leaders work out, we are happy to work on this.

The energy bill, as it is now before the Senate, is a revenue measure. We understand the importance of moving the energy bill. We want to cooperate in any way we can.

However, we do understand the importance of this matter that was not taken care of in the tax bill that involves 12 million children in America. So we hope that can be resolved quickly and that we can have a vote on it in the next few days. We look forward to cooperating with the majority in any way we can to move this matter forward.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Mr. REID. No objection.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. FITZGERALD. For the information of all Senators, following morning business tomorrow, the Senate may resume consideration of S. 14, the Energy

Bill. The Senate made progress today on the ethanol issue, and it is hoped that the Senate can complete action on that issue during Wednesday's session. Tomorrow the Senate may also consider the House Defense authorization bill under the consent order entered earlier.

In addition, discussions are under way as to a process for consideration of the child tax credit legislation. This evening, Senator GRASSLEY introduced that legislation and began the process of placing that bill on the calendar. Negotiations will continue as to the best way to address that issue.

We are also working to clear additional nominations during tomorrow's session. Therefore, Members should expect votes throughout the day, and Senators will be notified when the first vote is scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. FITZGERALD. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:45 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, June 4, 2003, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate June 3, 2003:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

JOSHUA B. BOLTON, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, VICE MITCHELL E. DANIELS, JR., RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

ROBERT LERNER, OF MARYLAND, TO BE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION STATISTICS FOR A TERM EXPIRING JUNE 21, 2009, VICE PASCAL D. FORGHIONE, JR., TERM EXPIRED.

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be lieutenant general

LT. GEN. WILLIAM S. WALLACE, 0000

FOREIGN SERVICE

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED PERSONS OF THE AGENCIES INDICATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS OF THE CLASS STATED, AND ALSO FOR THE OTHER APPOINTMENTS INDICATED HEREWITH:

FOR APPOINTMENT AS FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS OF CLASS ONE, CONSULAR OFFICER AND SECRETARY IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

BETH A. SALAMANCA, OF VIRGINIA
M. ERIN SOTO, OF VIRGINIA

FOR APPOINTMENT AS FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS OF CLASS TWO, CONSULAR OFFICER AND SECRETARY IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

DAVID J. BARTH, OF VIRGINIA
KAREN J. DOSWELL, OF MARYLAND
NANCY ESTES, OF FLORIDA
SUSAN KOSINSKI FRITZ, OF WYOMING
R. DAVID HARDEN, OF MARYLAND
GARY C. JUSTE, OF FLORIDA
JANET B. PAZ-CASTILLO, OF WASHINGTON
LESLIE K. REED, OF CALIFORNIA
SCOTT ALAN STOFEL, OF CALIFORNIA

FOR APPOINTMENT AS FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS OF CLASS THREE, CONSULAR OFFICER AND SECRETARY IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

KATHY ELAINE BODY, OF VIRGINIA